

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
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BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND
DISCIPLINE

No. C00-128

In the Matter of:
Fredy P. Roland, M.D.
MD#6717

Consent Order

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §5-37-5.2, 1956, as amended, (1995 Reenactment) a complaint was filed with the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter referred to as "Board") alleging that Fredy Roland, M.D., Respondent, may have violated §5-37-5.1(19) The following constitutes the Investigating Committee's Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent.

Findings of Facts

1. The Respondent, Fredy Roland, M.D., is employed at 333 School St., Pawtucket Rhode Island. The Respondent's specialty is internal medicine. He has practiced his specialty in Rhode Island since 1985.
2. The Respondent was treating a hypertensive patient who complained of pain. The Respondent changed the patient's medication to treat the hypertension and a cardiac stress test was ordered. The cardiac stress test revealed significant abnormalities. This abnormality was not reported to the patient. There is no indication in the record that the Respondent scheduled an indicated follow-up examination. The State Medical

Examiner reported the patient's death from natural causes to the Respondent six weeks following the last patient visit.

3. The Respondent's progress notes do not meet the minimal standards for acceptable record keeping
4. The Board finds that the Respondent is in violation of Rhode Island General Laws 5-37-5.1(19) for a failure to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in internal medicine and has violated the rules and regulations relating to medical records (R5-37-MD/DO) §11.4 in that the notes lack required detail and are illegible.

The parties agree as follows:

The Respondent is a physician with an active allopathic license No.6717, Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

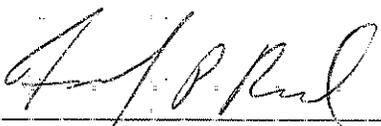
- (1) Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of an Investigating Committee of the Board and is subject to the final approval of the Board. This Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.
- (2) Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a. The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
 - b. The right to produce witnesses and evidence in his behalf at a hearing;

- c. The right to cross examine witnesses;
- d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
- e. The right to further procedural steps except for specifically contained herein;
- f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order;
- g. Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for consideration and review;
- h. Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to review adequately this Consent Order;
- i. Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order.

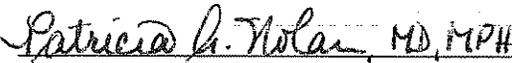
(3) If the Consent Order is not accepted by the Respondent, the Investigative Committee will recommend to the Board that an Administrative Hearing be scheduled with respect to any and all acts of alleged unprofessional conduct. If the Board approves, a Hearing Committee will be convened for the purpose of conducting the Administrative Hearing. The composition of the Hearing Committee votes in favor or finding the Respondent guilty of unprofessional conduct as specified in the charges, the Board shall prepare written finding of fact and law in support of said conclusion. If the accused is found not guilty, the Board shall, forthwith, issue an order dismissing the charges.

- (4) Acceptance of this Consent Order constitutes an admission by the Respondent of the facts set forth herein.
- (5) This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and by the Board.
- (6) Failure to comply with this Consent Order, when signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.
- (7) The Respondent accepts the sanction of a Reprimand. Further, the Respondent shall complete within six months a remedial seminar on adequate management of patient care and on documentation and record keeping with prior written approval of the Board. The Respondent shall pay an administrative fee of five-hundred (\$500.00) dollars within 30 days of ratification of this Order.

Signed this 10th day of April, 2001.


Fredy Roland, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline at a meeting held on MARCH 14, 2001.


Patricia A. Nolan, MD, MPH
Director of Health